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In spite of Jules Moch's (Minister of the Interior) recent statement to the contrary, the French Government has no proof nor is it in possession of any documents which would indicate that the present strikes in France are a result of instructions issued personally by Andrei Zhdanov just before his death. According to source, Jules Moch made the statement purely for propaganda reasons.

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that wooh would probably launch a similar attack, allegedly backed with documentary evidence, against the Gaullists. Such an attack would be designed to convince the mass of French people that a Gaullist rice to power would be as disantrous for France as a Communist-controlled Government.

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